IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1-50.   (Canceled)

51.   (New) A system for serving map data and map-related services over a computer network
to two or more clients, the system comprising:

a server associated with at least first and second URLs,

wherein the first URL is invokable by at least one of the clients to cause the server to
interact with the one client as a first type of map client having a first weight or
thickness; and

wherein the second URL is invokable by at least another of the clients to cause the server
to interact with the other client as second type of map client having a second
weight or thickness that differs from the first weight or thickness.

52.   (New) The system of claim 51, further comprising
a map server including:

a first map-service pool having two or more first map-service objects or instances
for answering requests from the clients for a first map service; and

a second map-service pool having two or more second map-service instances for
answering requests from the clients for a second map service; and

means for establishing and maintaining a pool of two or more persistent network
connections between the web server and the map server.

53.   (Original) The system of claim 51:

wherein the first URL is associated with an applet that comprises at least one executable
or compilable map-related object for a first map operation and at least one proxy
for another executable or compilable map-related object for a second map
operation; and

wherein the second URL is associated with a second applet that comprises at least one

executable or compilable map-related object for the first map operation and at

least one executable or compilable map-related object for the second map

operation

54. (New) The system of claim 53, further comprising a wireless client which has invoked the first URL and a non-wireless client which has invoked the second URL.

55. (New) The system of claim 54, wherein the wireless client includes a mobile telephone.

56. (New) The system of claim 52:

wherein the first map-service pool provides geocoding services and the second

map-service pool provides street-routing services; and

wherein the first map-service pool provides one of map-data-access services, geocoding

services, street-routing services, external-map-access services, and

map-image-display services.

57. (New) The system of claim 56, wherein one or more of the first map-service objects or instances is a proxy for a corresponding first map-service object or instance within a machine different from that hosting the map server.

58. (New) The system of claim 57, further comprising a map database coupled to the map server.

59. (New) The system of claim 51, wherein the one client is an HTML client and the other client is a JAVA client.

60. (New) A system for serving map data and map-related services over a computer network, the system comprising:

a server associated with at least first and second URLs;

a wireless client operatively coupled to receive map data from the server after invoking
the first URL; and

a non-wireless client operatively coupled to receive map data from the server after
invoking the second URL.

61.   The system of claim 60:

wherein invocation of the first URL causes the server to provide the wireless client at
least one proxy object for a map operation; and

wherein invocation of the second URL causes the server to provide the non-wireless
client an executable or compilable object for the map operation.

62.   (New) The system of claim 60, further comprising:

a map server coupled to the server and including:

a first map-service pool having two or more first map-service objects or instances
for answering requests from the clients for a first map service; and

a second map-service pool having two or more second map-service instances for
answering requests from the clients for a second map service; and

means for establishing and maintaining a pool of two or more persistent network
connections between the server and the map server.

63.   (New) The system of claim 62, wherein the wireless client includes a mobile telephone.

64.   (New) A system for serving map data and map-related services over a computer
network, the system comprising:

a server for serving map data;

a wireless client operatively coupled to receive map data from the server; and

a non-wireless client operatively coupled to receive map data from the server.

65.   (New) The system of claim 64, wherein the wireless client includes at least one proxy object for a map operation, and the non-wireless client includes an executable or compilable object for the map operation.

66.   (New) A method of distributing map data through a common server and over a communications network to a wireless client including a mobile telephone and to a non-wireless client, the method comprising:

communicating a first map-related applet to the wireless client in response to the wireless client connecting to the common server;

communicating a second map-related applet to the non-wireless client in response to the non-wireless client connecting to the common server;

receiving respective first and second requests for map data from the wireless client and the non-wireless clients; and

responding to the respective first and second requests in first and second different ways based on differences in the first and second clients, with responses to the requests including map data from a common map database.

67.   (New) The method of claim 66, wherein the wireless client includes a mobile telephone or a personal digital assistant.

68.   (New) The method of claim 66, wherein the first map-related applet includes at least one proxy object for a map operation; and the second map-related applet includes an executable or compilable object for the map operation.

69.   (New) The method of claim 66, wherein the first map-related applet is referenced in a first property file that is associated with a first URL, and the second map-related applet is referenced in a second property file that is associated with a second URL.

70.   (New) The method of claim 66, wherein the first and second URL are associated with the server.